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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YUMA

IN THE MATTER OF: ) Administrative Order  
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NOTICE TO PETITIONERS IN ) 2012-02  
GUARDIANSHIPS AND CONSERVATORSHIPS )  
RE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES )  
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A high percentage of guardianships and conservatorships are filed by pro se or self represented petitioners. Specifically, an attorney must be appointed to represent the adult protected person and an investigator must conduct an investigation. These statutory requirements are not waivable by the court. The court is aware that all too often, pro se or self represented petitioners are not aware of those requirements and the resulting expense that is incurred for which the petitioner or the protected persons assets and estate are responsible.

In an effort to place all pro se or self representing petitioners on notice as to their responsibilities, duties and the expenses that will be incurred, this Administrative Order shall be handed to the pro se or self represented petitioner by the Clerk of the Superior Court at the time the petition is filed. In addition this Administrative Order shall place the Petitioner on Notice that the petitioner shall:

1. Immediately contact and confer with the appointed attorney for the protected person;
2. Contact the appointed investigator;
3. Contact the appointed doctor and obtain a medical report, and;


1 4. Make sure that an interpreter is available for all meetings and hearings when an  
2 interpreter is necessary; and

3 5. Make appropriate financial arrangements with the attorney, and investigator and  
4 interpreter for the payment of all fees.

5 The appointment of the petitioner as a guardian and/or conservator is conditioned on  
6 compliance with the above four requirements.  
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8 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

9 Dated this 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2012.



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12 JOHN N. NELSON  
PRESIDING JUDGE

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14 Copies to:

15 Hon. Mark Wayne Reeves  
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